



## Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management (Related Amendment) Bill 2005

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**Date Introduced:** 13 October 2005

**House:** House of Representatives

**Portfolio:** Education, Science and Training

**Commencement:** Sections 1-3 commence on the day after Royal Assent but the only operative provision (Schedule 1) commences at the same time as the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2005.

### Purpose

To exclude the operation of the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1977* in relation to Ministerial decisions made under section 7 of the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Bill.

### Background

This Bill supports the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2005 in relation to the proposed Commonwealth radioactive waste management facility in the Northern Territory. Background is provided in the relevant Bills Digest.

### Main Provisions

#### Schedule 1

**New section 7** of the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Bill allows the relevant Minister to make a decision via declaration as to which of the proposed sites in the Northern Territory will be the location of the Commonwealth radioactive waste management facility, and whether land will be required for road access. Such declarations result in the acquisition and/or extinguishment of all non-Commonwealth rights and interests in the relevant land.

**Item 1 of Schedule 1** provides that any such declarations are not subject to judicial review under the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1977*.

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